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H. RES. 880

Recognizing the efforts of career and technical colleges to educate and train workers for positions in high-demand industries.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CASSIDY submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

RESOLUTION

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Whereas the Bureau of Labor Statistics estimated that 15,600,000 new jobs will be added to the labor force between 2006 and 2016, with population shifts and new technologies fueling job growth;

Whereas more than 80 percent of respondents in the 2005 National Association of Manufacturers Skills Gap report indicated that they are experiencing a shortage of qualified workers;

Whereas career and technical colleges provide the real-world situations necessary to engage students and prepare them for the workforce;

Whereas career and technical colleges provide an environment where students can apply fundamental academic skills and employability skills to complex job-related problems;

Whereas career and technical colleges' connections with local business leaders allow the use of workforce readiness credentials to spread from the ground up in a way that is mutually beneficial to students and employers;

Whereas 14 percent of all employers reported being a member of a career and technical education advisory committee in a Census Bureau Survey; and

Whereas employers assist career and technical colleges in developing programs that reflect the needs of industry:
Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—
- 2 (1) recognizes the efforts of career and tech-
- 3 nical colleges to educate and train workers for posi-
- 4 tions in high-demand industries; and
- 5 (2) supports the connection career and technical
- 6 colleges provide between employers and students.

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